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FOR: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING :  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND  
PLASMA OXIDATION METHOD

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 8, 2010, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks submitted concurrently with a Terminal Disclaimer.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.